

FISCAL NOTE - CAPTION BILL

HB 2397 - SB 2726

February 19, 2000

CAPTION BILL: Fiscal not reflects amendment filed to lift bill from Senate Clerk's desk (#010477).

SUMMARY OF BILL:

1. Requires the Commissioner of Transportation to produce upon the request of a member of the general assembly, any requested information pertaining to Department of Transportation highway construction projects in such member's district.
2. Deletes TCA 54-13-311 and TCA 54-13-312, which cover ferry operations and penalties for delay.
3. Amends TCA 55-50-409 (a) by:
 - Increasing from 10 days to 2 weeks the amount of time allowed for notifications of traffic violations to the appropriate agency.
 - Removing the provision which allows the Department of Safety to furnish information regarding the driving record of any person to the following:
 - The driver license administrator of any other state, or province or territory of Canada, requesting such information.
 - The commercial driver license information system.
 - Any employer or prospective employer upon request and payment of a fee of \$5.00.
4. Amends TCA 65-3-119 by:
 - Increasing penalties for each violation of:
 - TCA Title 65, Chapter 3 -Regulation of Railroads by DOT
 - TCA Title 65, Chapter 5 -Regulation of Rates for Public Utilities and Carriers
 - Increasing the minimum fine from \$500 to \$1,000.
 - Increasing the maximum fine from \$1,000 to \$5,000.
5. Amends TCA 65-12-103 by allowing the conductor to put off any passenger at any regular station if the passenger refuses to pay the required fare or a portion thereof. Under existing law, the conductor may put such passengers off the cars at any station or convenient point where the passenger can step on land.
6. Amends TCA 67-3-2003 by removing from specific highway projects benefited by the 1986 gasoline tax increase the widening to 4 lanes Highway 12 from Ashland City to Briley Parkway (State Route 155) in Davidson County.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

State Revenues - Net Impact - Not Significant

Decrease State Expenditures - \$6,000,000 One-Time/Highway Fund

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Estimate assumes:

- a not significant increase in state revenues resulting from raising the minimum and maximum fines collected for violations of TCA, Title 65, Chapter 3 and TCA, Title 67, Chapter 5.
- a not significant decrease in state revenues resulting from the loss of fees from no longer furnishing copies of driver records to certain groups.
- the change in the project on Highway 12 shortens the project by two miles and lowers the estimated project cost, thus resulting in a decrease in state expenditures of approximately \$6,000,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director